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To W.O. from Dr. Flick.

Philadelphia,  
March 12, 1904.

My dear Dr Osler:

I am afraid it would not be safe to have the lecture on the 26th because even on the 28th we may have a close call in getting our printed copies of the lecture in English. Like all great men Maragliano has delayed sending his manuscript and we probably will not have it before the 20th. At this time of the year it may be even a few days later in reaching us. At best we will probably not have over a week and perhaps not more than two or three days for translating the manuscript and putting it in print. Should we be compelled to have the lecture without the translated copies the whole affair would prove a fiasco. However, I will give a dinner to Maragliano on the 26th to which I will invite the distinguished men from other cities and in this way these men will have an opportunity of meeting Maragliano even though they do not stay for the lecture. The tickets have been issued for the 28th and I have partly made my arrangements for my dinner on the 28th, which would still further interfere withmaking the change at the present time.

If you will pardon me for being so informal I will take this occasion to invite you to the dinner at the University Club at 7 p.m. on Saturday March 26th. I was just about sending out my invitations and I know you will not object to me doubling up in this way to save time.

Yours truly,

Lawrence F. Flick.